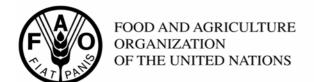
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Interested International Organizations

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Request for Comments at Step 6 on draft Maximum Residue Limits of Veterinary **SUBJECT:**

Drugs in Foods

DEADLINE: 30 March 2004

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BACKGROUND

The 26th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (30 June – 7 July 2003) considered the draft and proposed draft Maximum Residue Limits of Veterinary Drugs (MRL) submitted by the 13th and 14th Sessions of Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods.

The Commission returned the draft temporary MRLs for phoxim in cattle tissues and cow's milk to Step 6 pending JECFA re-evaluation (ALINORM 03/41, para. 112 and Appendix VI)

The Commission adopted at Step 5 and advanced to Step 6 the proposed draft temporary MRLs for Cyhalothrin in cattle, pig and sheep tissue and in cow's milk and the proposed draft temporary MRL for Cefuroxime in cattle milk (ALINORM 03/41, para. 116 and 136 and Appendix VI).

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Governments and international organizations are invited to comment at Step 6, as directed above, on the draft MRLs for phoxim in cattle tissues and cow's milk (ALINORM 03/31, Appendix II), on the draft MRLs for Cyhalothrin in cattle, pig and sheep tissue and in cow's milk (ALINORM 03/31, Appendix III) and on the draft MRL for Cefuroxime in cattle milk (ALINORM 03/31A, Appendix V), in conformity with the Procedures for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts (see Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual, Twelfth Edition, pages. 19-21) not later than 30 March 2004.